

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 5 without prejudice.

Amend claim 6 as follows:

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--6. (Amended) The method for preparing an annular sustained release pheromone-dispenser as set forth in claim 10 wherein the plurality of plastic tubes are fused by heating under a pressure after sandwiching the portion to be fused between a pair of pieces made of a plastic identical to that of the plastic tubes.--

Add new claim 10 as follows:

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--10. (New) A method for preparing an annular sustained release pheromone-dispenser comprising arranging a plurality of continuous plastic tubes filled with a liquid synthetic sex pheromone by aspiration, fusing the tubes together at predetermined points by heating under pressure to connect the tubes to each other at that point, cutting the tubes at each such fused portion to produce a dispenser composed of two side by side tubes having end portions which are connected to each other and a central portion and pulling apart the central portion to separate the central portion of each tube from the central portion of the other tube.--

REMARKS

As a result of the foregoing amendment, Claim 10 has been added replacing claim 5. In claim 10, the method of the invention is defined including the step of pulling apart the central portions of the dispenser to produce the annular sustained release pheromone-dispenser.